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On the Street

Messenger's reporter at Anton says: "Attorney H. E. Lobdell, John H. Golaz and O. V. Pool were in Anton on business this week."

The road, leading east to Denton county line, is in splendid condition, and when finished by County Highway Supt. Holly Renshaw, will be one of the best all-year roads in the county.

About ten Decatur citizens have made application for the postoffice job, to succeed Postmaster Chas. Bradford, and it is reported there will be one or two more registering before the list is closed.

A force of about one hundred is a work making concrete curbs and gutters along the main streets of Decatur, a work that, when finished, will give the town an improved appearance. About \$12,000 will have been spent on public works in Decatur when this work is finished.

"Hear a barber, finishing his tonorial work on a customer, call 'Next gentleman' reminding me," said a pioneer citizen, "of the manner in which the jolly Heck Miller, early-day barber in Decatur, would call his customers, saying 'Next woolley!'"

Miss Eva Ruth Brady, daughter of Judge and Mrs. H. E. Brady, has been selected by artists as one of the ten most beautiful girls attending Lubbock Tech College. We agree with the artists, say Miss Eva Ruth's Decatur friends. A group photo of the beauties appeared in Sunday's Star-Telegram.

In this issue of the Messenger will be found a letter from an early-day settler in Wise county, W. H. Hunt, living now in Lacombe, Alberta, British Columbia. Incidents of fifty years ago are recalled by the writer. In the letter, Mr. Hunt mentions the names of a number of citizens who have been dead many years.

Henry Walker, ex-commissioner, in town yesterday from his farm, stated the late freeze put the ground "in the best condition I have seen it in years." Speaking of feed-stuff, Henry said the late S. W. Tilghman, carpenter-contractor, built the barn on the Walker farm more than twenty-five years ago, and at no time since the barn was erected has it been empty of feed.

Walter Baggett, proprietor of the Baggett Cafe in the Greathouse hotel, stated that his business is showing a decided improvement, and that "Friday was the biggest and best day we have had since taking charge of the cafe." Talking to a Messenger reporter, and overheard by M. L. Weaver of the A. & P. store, who said: "Yes, and I can say that our business for Friday was a record-breaker for the past three months."

In excavating on West Walnut street this week for the new curbing and gutters, workmen on the street crew uncovered a string of rock curbing in front of the Carl Faith home. This curbing was put down more than fifty years ago by the late J. M. Bennett, who owned the lot on which stands the Faith residence. A like curbing, of solid rock, was unearthed in front of the Messenger office building, marking the south line of the old courthouse lawn.

Speaking of the New Deal, inaugurated by our president," remarked Mr. Renshaw, manager of the Renfro drug store in Decatur, "tell Messenger readers that the one opening in our store next Thursday, continuing Friday and Saturday, promises to be in keeping with the spirit now abroad. Prices on articles during this sale will be the lowest ever quoted, and a big reception will be given this Rexall One Cent Sale by the people."

A bone from some monster that roamed this section a thousand years and more before man became an inhabitant was found by Price George while he was hunting on a branch

DOUGLAS HEADS SCHOOL MEETING

Decatur Man Presides At Conference Held In Austin

The North Texas division of the Educational Conference met in Austin Friday, March 24, for the purpose of discussing the public school problems that confront us at present. As the situation now stands we are confronted with the possibility of a per capita apportionment of seven or eight dollars for the next school year. This means that many schools in Texas will not open their doors next year, and that those that do open will be able to remain open for a short term of only three or four months. It means that our boys and girls will be deprived of their right to fit themselves to become better citizens, which right should be assured and guaranteed by the state of Texas.

The public schools of Texas need \$10,000,000 for payment of obligations and operating expenses to assure the children of Texas that the doors will be open to them next year. During the present session of the Texas legislature several bills have been passed, some benefitting only a few, others favoring group interest or other concerns, but no bill has yet been considered that would assure the boy or girl of Texas even so little as six months of schooling next year. This, in the mind of the writer, is the problem of first importance confronting the state today.

A bill proposing a tax on luxuries is soon to come before the legislature, which is calculated to produce \$3,000,000, but its passage is improbable. If it should pass it would produce very little revenue for the public schools. A bill proposing a sales tax will likely come before the legislature this week. Without any attempt to discuss the merits or demerits of the bill, it is clear that it would produce—if passed—sufficient funds to operate the schools of Texas for full terms next year.

The divisional meeting was attended by school board members, superintendents and teachers from all parts of North Texas. Wise county had representatives from Chico, Rhine, Greenwood and Decatur. Hon. Ray Holder, chairman of the Educational Conference of Texas, called the meeting to order and briefly stated the purpose. He then asked that the North Texas division select a permanent chairman for the division. One of the representatives placed the name of J. E. Douglass, Decatur school board president, in nomination and he was elected by a large majority. He immediately took charge, and every one present realized that the choice had been a wise one. His interest is not merely for his own community or for Wise county alone, but for every boy and girl in Texas. He expressed the belief that the present crisis in our schools could be met, and would be provided for as soon as the people make it their business to see that wise legislation is enacted.

After addresses by Representative Sarah T. Hughes of Dallas county, speaking on the income tax, and Representative Harold Kayton of Bexar county, speaking on the sales tax, Mr. Douglass appointed the following members to draft resolutions for the meeting: W. T. Doggett, superintendent of schools, Denton; B. M. Dinsmore, superintendent of schools, Electra; F. L. Tafolla, school board member, San Antonio; L. C. Slimp, school board member, Rhine; W. L. Blackstone, president school board, Longview.

The following resolutions were reported to the Conference at 3 o'clock p. m. and subsequently adopted:

Resolutions
Whereas, The public schools of Texas are confronted with one of the greatest crises in their history, due to the fact that local funds upon which the schools have depended have been greatly depleted because of the inability of citizens to pay their taxes, due to delinquencies in tax payments, and decreases in assessed valuations; and

Whereas, Teachers' salaries have already been cut, teachers dismissed, classes increased in size, services discontinued, school terms shortened, building programs stopped, scrip issued, and money borrowed to keep schools open on the present basis of financial support; and

Whereas, Losses in state income from gross production and occupation taxes, ad valorem taxes, and the exemption of homesteads from state



RED CROSS TO DONATE APRIL 8

On Saturday, April 1, every head of a family that is in need of Red Cross clothing and supplies should make application to the local chairman in the town nearest his home, giving to the chairman such information concerning the size and needs of his family as is required. These applications will then be turned over to a committee which will determine whether or not the family is actually in need, and all approved applications will be returned to the local chairman, who on Saturday, April 8, will give out the clothing.

Decatur Red Cross headquarters will be open only on Saturdays. G. S. BLEWETT, Chairman Wise County Chapter A. R. C. MRS. R. T. SELLARS, Secretary.

taxation, together with a deficit in the school fund already amounting to \$6,240,000, and in addition \$1,600,000 in rural aid and tuition, and with the prospect of a per capita apportionment for the school session of 1933 and 1934 of \$8.00 or \$9.00; and

Whereas, The schools are dependent upon the state for an adequate support, therefore,

Be It Resolved, That we respectfully petition the legislature of the state of Texas to come to the aid of the schools to the end that the schools may be kept open and that the educational opportunities of the children of Texas may not suffer irreparable injury, therefore,

Be It Further Resolved, That we, the representatives of schools, including trustees, superintendents and teachers, from various points in Texas, in convention assembled in the City of Austin, pledge our undivided support to the legislature in an effort to provide adequate support for the public free schools of Texas; and

Be It Further Resolved, That it will be impossible to maintain the schools on a lower per capita apportionment than \$17.50 due to the decreases in local revenues; and

Be It Further Resolved, That we are of the opinion that the great masses of the people of the state earnestly desire that the schools for the education of their children be maintained; and

Be It Finally Resolved, That while we recognize it as the province of the legislature of the state of Texas to determine the sources of taxation for the proper support of the state government and of the public school system, we respectfully submit that it is our honest opinion that the people of our communities, and of the state generally, are ready and anxious to pay whatever taxes are necessary to operate economically and efficiently the public free school system.

Respectfully submitted, W. T.

DEMOCRAT, WILL YOU GIVE A DIME?

A dime a democrat is the quota assessed Texans by the Democratic National Committee. The Texas National Democratic organization of which Roy Miller is director, Senator Margie E. Neal, co-director, and Frank Schofield, finance director, has assumed the task of raising \$75,000, which is 10 per cent of the \$750,000 deficit of the Democratic National Committee.

This rather formidable sum is proportionate to what Texas has received and expects at the hands of the democratic party, it was said in a statement released by National Democratic headquarters at Austin.

Postmaster General James A. Farley, who is chairman of the Democratic National Committee, in requesting so large a sum of the Texas organization is actuated by the extraordinary record of this state in the campaign last fall. Texas, it will be recalled, furnished the largest democratic majority for Roosevelt and Garner, and contributed the second largest sum of money, being exceeded only by Roosevelt's own state of New York.

The amount requested from Texas was approximately one-tenth of the number of democratic votes cast in Texas last November. In determining the quota for each county, the Texas organization decided to allot the quota in proportion to the votes cast. Ten cents for each democratic vote approximates very closely the sum expected from Texas.

There were 2,684 votes cast in Wise county. The quota, therefore, is \$268.40.

"Every democrat in Wise county ought to feel that the New Deal is worth at least a dime to him," Frank Schofield said. "We are now advising county chairmen of the sums expected of them and anticipate no difficulty in raising Texas part of the party's debt."

TERRACE LINES RUN ON FARM OF JERRY MCKAY

Centour (terrace) lines were run on the farm of Jerry McKay at Park Springs last week. Mr. McKay states that his one regret is that he waited these years before doing the work. County Agent Guy Powell also ran lines on the new ground field owned by Mr. Huckaby, east of Park Springs.

In every part of the county new terraces are being built under the supervision of the county agent.

It pays to read the classifieds.

DOGGETT, Chairman, Denton; B. M. DINSMORE, Electra; F. L. TAFOLLA, San Antonio; L. C. SLIMP, Rhine; W. H. BLACKSTONE, Longview.

MRS. HUNSUCKER IS OUT ON BOND

Mrs. Ida Hunsucker, mother of the suspected slayer of Deputy Sheriff Joe Brown of Rhine two months ago, who has been held in Fort Worth for Wise county authorities as an accessory to the shooting, was released in \$1,000 bond this week to State Ranger Sid Kelso of Fort Worth.

Kelso said the woman would be permitted to return to her home in Quitaque, Briscoe county.

Glen Hunsucker and Henry (Perchmouth) Stanton have been sought since the death of Brown in the latter's office at Rhine. Brown had stepped an automobile at the request of Decatur officers and was calling Decatur by telephone when he was killed.

Mrs. Hunsucker, with a woman companion, was arrested near Carey, several days after the shooting after a race with Childress county officers.

FAY D. HAYNES IMPROVES HOME

A more beautiful home, a more varied diet and effective use of surplus products are being brought to the Haynes family through the supervised practice program of Fay Deane Haynes, who is a student of vocational agriculture in Decatur High school.

A leveled lawn set in Bermuda grass, a rose garden to the side of the yard, a screen of native material around the windmill and water tank, and a broad well-ventilated foundation bed has taken the place of a rough yard broken with flower beds and specimen plants. A cutting bed containing 50 rooted plants will supply material to add variety and color to foundation beds and native screen plantings.

Beefsteak, rolled roast, meat loaf, chili and hash can be ready for the table in 15 minutes since Fay Deane canned 89 number three cans of meat from a \$7.00 calf which had been on feed 75 days. The beef was fattened, using home-grown feeds and some supplementary commercial feeds. After leaving the carcass of beef to "cool out" for two days, the meat was canned according to instructions received in class practice work given December 5. She also assisted a neighbor to can a beef; that neighbor had never canned meat before.

Twenty-five pounds of cheese had been made from milk which could not be delivered to the milk plant due to bad weather, according to Fay Deane's report. Making five pounds



Vocational agriculture III, class will meet on each Monday morning at nine o'clock, part-time class will meet once a week on each Tuesday night at seven thirty. V. A. I, class for girls, Wednesday, 9 o'clock, and V. A. class for boys each Saturday morning at nine o'clock.

Bill McDonald, John Warren and Claud Miller judged 3 classes of dairy cows on the farm of A. M. Crowder Saturday afternoon. These boys along with C. E. Holt, Price Neeley, and Jack Shaw are training for the dairy judging team to represent Decatur in the district contest to be held at John Tarleton Agricultural College, Stephenville, April 8th. The boys trying out for this team will meet Thursday morning at 9 o'clock in vocational agriculture room for an all-day work-out in judging.

One Jersey cow for milk production, 5 acres of corn, and 2 pigs for pork production are the projects being developed by W. D. Phillips, member of the first year class in vocational agriculture. He has selected yellow dent variety of seed corn for his project, made 30 feet rope, applied 3 loads barn yard manure, and pruned 20 fruit trees, as special supervised practice jobs which gave him a score of 350. W. D. will plant his corn on new land which he helped clear this winter.

Selecting breeding turkeys, selecting a variety of corn for his project, culling 65 hens twice at 3 months intervals, pruning 20 fruit trees, preparing seed bed for corn project, selecting a breed of poultry and cutting back a native pecan tree for summer building make up the list of special study jobs that George Burns has started or completed as a part of his supervised practice program in vocational agriculture. George has a score of 400 in these jobs and hopes to run his score up to 900 out of a possible 1000 by next September when he will have had an opportunity to complete his program. His projects include 3 acres of corn, 12 hens for egg production, and 1 pig for pork production.

Two classes of market eggs were judged by Glen Gentry, Wayne Rhine, Gordon Reed, Watson Clifton, W. D. Phillips, who are trying out for the poultry team to represent this department of vocational agriculture in the Tarleton contest. This group will meet Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock, vocational class room, for all day practice and study of judging white leghorns, barred rocks, Rhode Island reds. These three breeds will be judged both for production and exhibition along with two classes of white market eggs and 1 class of brown market eggs. The team will also take an examination covering short questions on culling hens and judging exhibition birds.

Removing flower beds from lawn, filling in and increasing width of foundation beds, making a rose garden and resetting specimen plants mean work which is well worth the effort, according to Mildred Taylor who has been working in her yard last few days. The four feet foundation beds which had been started two years ago by setting a privet hedge were filled and faced with abelia, Italian jasmine, Japanese Ligustrum, Eonymus, Bridal wreath, flowering quince, lilac, dusty miller. The rose garden was placed to the left of the house in front of a screen planting and filled with rose cuttings. Plants and flower beds which were set in the lawn were removed and the plants used in foundation plantings.

of cheese would have met requirements of supervised practice job, but "My family likes cheese and we could not afford to waste the milk," said Fay Deane in explaining the large quantity.

COMMUNITY SINGING CONVENTION MEETS SUNDAY

L. W. Reed, vice president of the Wise county community singing convention, requests Messenger to announce that the convention will meet next Sunday with the Cumberland Grove church, four miles north of Chico. He invites all singers and lovers of good singing to attend and enjoy a song feast.

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THE PER CAPITA SAVINGS ARE GREATER TODAY THAN THEY WERE TEN YEARS AGO



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STAINED GLASS WINDOWS MUST BE DESIGNED FOR THEIR FINAL LOCATIONS—COLOR VARIES SO MUCH UNDER DIFFERENT LIGHTING CONDITIONS

OLD SCENES AND PAST EXPERIENCES ARE RECALLED MORE VIVIDLY BY THE SENSE OF SMELL THAN BY ANY OTHER MEANS

GOSE WRITES ON TRIP TO CAPITOL

Washington, D. C., easily takes rank with the foremost cities of the world in any way that you might consider. It is one of the most beautiful, both in regard to natural location and surroundings, and in style, architecture and arrangement of government buildings.

I wish every boy and girl of school age could spend a few days in our capital city, just looking around, and drinking in the magnificence and splendor of what is to every American the world's most important city. Whenever anything of international significance occurs anywhere, the world asks, "What will Washington think about this?"

The capitol building is about 350 feet high, and covers three and one-half acres. President Washington laid the cornerstone in 1793, altho he never occupied this building, serving his terms as president in New York and Philadelphia. He also laid the cornerstone of the White House in 1792, but John Adams was the first president to occupy it. I could hardly believe that I was actually in this wonderful mansion, the home of the world's greatest ruler.

The Washington Monument, a stupendous shaft of granite, 555 feet high, a few blocks from the White House, is the highest work of masonry in the world.

Pennsylvania Avenue is America's most famous street, being the route of the Inaugural Day parade, from the Capitol on one end to the White House on the other.

The Smithsonian Institute and National Museum contains relics of historical and scientific interest from every quarter of the globe. Here we saw Lindbergh's plane of transatlantic fame, The Spirit of St. Louis.—OUTLER D. GOSE.

SWEETWATER NEWS

The drawing on the church quilt will be held Saturday, April 1, at 3:30 p. m. on the streets of Decatur.

Mrs. Mary Starnes visited Mrs. A. C. Morris Monday.

Miss Emma Blythe and Mrs. Otis Evans called at the home of Frank Moore homes Wednesday.

Mrs. Bertha Teurman and daughters were Wednesday afternoon visitors of Mrs. Bertha Boydston.

Mrs. Mattie Donald and daughter, Miss Eva, were guests of Mrs. Otis Evans and Mrs. J. A. Watson Wednesday evening.

The home demonstration club met at the home of Mrs. Bertha Boydston last Thursday. There was an all-day session.

Mrs. Chas. Lambert has been ill several days.

The "42" club, composed of the young married people here, met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Rhine Saturday night. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Scaff, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Evans and Mr. and Mrs. Craig Spain. Additional guests were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moore and Miss Emma Blythe.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Caraway, who is ill, is slightly improved.

A. C. Morris transacted business in Fort Worth Saturday.

Jim Tucker and daughter of Bowie were guests of Mrs. Otis Evans last Friday.

Mrs. Clifford Tolon of Blewett was here visiting Mrs. Mary Starnes,

CLASSIFIED ADS.

1924 MODEL FORD COUPE for sale in fair condition and can easily be put in first-class shape by someone who knows the breed; I don't. Tires are practically new, worn very little. I am asking \$20 for this car as it stands, but I can be beat down to \$17.50 cash. Call at Messenger office or see Booth Mooney.

BILLFOLD FOUND near Flatwoods church. Owner may get same by calling at Messenger office, describing billfold, and paying for this ad.

WANTED: Handling of any kind, cattle, livestock, feed, etc. Phone 292.—LUTHER BERRISS, Decatur. 16

FOR SALE: A small farm, 1 mile north of Decatur, on new route of Meridian Highway; good well and spring water; house on place. See HENRY YOUNG, Decatur. 11

FARM WANTED: Have house in Childress, Texas, well located to trade in; pay some cash. Give price and description in first letter. Box 283, Wheeler, Texas. 12-4

Mrs. Frank Moore and Mrs. Orville Rhine, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lad Rhine, from Decatur community, spent Sunday in the home of their son, Orville Rhine.

Miss Emma Blythe spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Otis Evans.

A party for the young folks was given at the home of Mrs. Bertha Teurman Saturday night.

R. L. Blythe, Jr., spent Saturday night with Frank Teurman.

Mr. and Mrs. Berdine Boydston and Mr. and Mrs. Lambert motored to Rhine Sunday to visit Mr. Lambert's daughter.

J. D. Carl and children of Decatur were visiting here Sunday.

Chas. Beall called at the home of A. C. Morris Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gage and daughter spent Saturday night with Mrs. Gage's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Berdine Boydston.

A number of people from this community enjoyed a singing at the Love Watson home Sunday evening.

Claude Tucker and son and Mrs. Claude Boyd of Odum were here last week, visiting relatives. Otis Evans accompanied them to Stoney to visit Mr. Tucker's daughter, Mrs. Tom Lewis.

Clifford Boydston visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Berdine Boydston Sunday.

BAPTIST CHURCH

The collection of old gold and silver to be applied on denominational debts is proving very interesting. Last Sunday's collection included a baby bracelet, a deceased husband's watch, a deceased mother's watch, silver pitchers and knives and spoons. The time of the collection has been extended over next Sunday and many other things are expected by that time. These offerings with their sacred associations remind us of the precious ointment which Mary brought to Jesus, which Judas criticized so severely. A nice collection was brought in from Post Oak in Jack county where Bro. Huff is pastor.

The choir has begun preparation of a special musical program to be presented at Easter time.

Enlargement campaigns are on in every department of the church and attendance is increasing at all services.

R. E. BELL, Pastor.

U. S. CAPITOL

By W. D. McFARLANE

Washington, D. C., March 27.—Within two weeks, now, beer will again be flowing in many states as a result of the beer bill passed this week by congress and signed by the president. Many questions are being pondered upon in connection with the return of beer. These are worth considering:

Will the racketeers in the big cities take the legal sellers of beer for a "ride?"

Will automobile riding be as safe as it has been?

Will millions of dollars of new revenue be brought in to the national government from the beer? If so, who will pay it, in addition to several times that amount for the cost of the beer?

Beer was sandwiched in between other matters of important legislation in congress the past week. On Tuesday, March 21, the measure to tax beer was considered. On Wednesday the farm relief bill was discussed and passed, and on Thursday the District of Columbia beer bill was considered and passed. I opposed these beer bill, believing the matter should be passed on by the people before being considered by congress, and being pledged to the people of my district not to vote for wine and beer until after this question is submitted by the Texas legislature and passed upon by the people.

State Bank Bill Passed

The house and senate this week passed the state bank bill, granting to state banks the relief granted national banks in the first emergency banking bill. I supported this measure, feeling that all banks should be included in the relief.

Farm Relief

President Roosevelt's farm relief bill passed in the house by a vote of 315 to 98. Opposition that had been expected failed to rally and the bill was sent to the senate without amendments. The measure is intended to reduce the production of basic farm commodities, increase their prices and thus raise the level of prices for all agricultural products. It aims to do this by agreements between the government and farmers for the latter to reduce production or reduce acreage. The farmers who agree to reduce production will, under the bill, receive direct bounties, and those that choose to reduce acreage will be paid a reasonable fee for rental of their idle land. I spoke and voted for this measure, believing that it is the best farm relief bill yet proposed.

Important legislation to come up next week includes President Roosevelt's program for reforestation and unemployment relief. Heeding organized labor's strenuous protests, the senate and house labor committees last Friday decided to rewrite the Roosevelt administration bill for a civilian conservation corps of 250,000 men to engage in reforestation work.

Job Seekers Still Busy

Thousands of democrats who have come to Washington expecting to secure jobs under the democratic administration are still waiting. Only some of the more important places have been filled as yet, and policies of the administration toward these matters have not yet been announced. Some departmental heads have been held over, including General Frank T. Miles as head of the Veterans' Administration and Phillip

FARMERS' EXCHANGE & SWAP

In this column each week will appear a list of articles for exchange or sale by Wise county farmers. These advertisements, which will include farm produce, livestock, farm machinery and supplies, will be inserted free by the Messenger for farmers. In the column many bargains can be found each week. Advertisers are asked to advise the Messenger immediately when property is disposed of.

FOR SALE: Tom Watson watermelon seed, 50c a pound. See J. D. PARISH, Rte. 3, Decatur. 13

O. I. C. hogs, gilts, \$6; bred sows, \$15. I furnish pedigrees on these at this price. A Safety Hatch incubator, 120 egg size, in good condition, \$7.50.—CARROLL H. MOTE, Decatur, 2-12 miles on Chico road. 13

TRADE: Good fat cow, dry, for good milk cow. J. J. RIEGER. 12

SWAP: One good Deering 10-12-foot rake, for corn. H. S. FARRINGTON, Rte. 3, Alvord. 12

FOR TRADE: Oil stove; will take pigs. EARL STUTT, Route 1, Decatur. 12

WILL SELL OR SWAP pure West Texas half and half cottonseed for corn or oats. See B. F. KING, Rte. 1, Decatur. 12

FOR SALE: About all the sweet potato seed there is left in the world. S. MCCORMACK, Rte. 3, Decatur. 12

WANTED to trade for good second-hand cream separator; also trade good dry milk cow for mule, horse or mare. W. H. FRANKLIN, Rte. 4, Decatur. 12

WILL TAKE A GOOD TEAM as a \$200 payment on a new Chevrolet car—never been rolled off the floor. A. L. SKINNER, 3-12 miles west of Decatur, on Chico road. 12-21

FOR SALE: Two of the best milk cows in the world; new fresh. S. MCCORMACK. 10

SEED SWEET POTATOES for sale. R. W. COOK, Rte. 4, Decatur. 10

FOR SALE: Good young Jersey bull at bargain. C. B. CROGS, 8 miles south Decatur. 10

FOR SALE: A second hand saddle, or will trade for a cow or a good heifer. R. J. RHOTEN, Rte. One, Paradise, Texas. 10

FOR SWAP: Hog herd, this season's rendering, for wool cutting. See FRED J. BASTIAN, Rte. 6, Decatur, near Oak Grove. 11

Bates as chairman of the Prison Board. Commenting on this situation, the Washington Daily News says: "Postmaster General Farley is keeping the brakes firmly on democratic patronage while the new administration drives its emergency program through congress."

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our friends for the kindness shown us during the sad hour when God called our wife and mother. May such comfort be yours in time of sorrow.

Mr. W. A. Rutherford; Mrs. J. H. Ezell; Mr. W. S. Rutherford; Mr. G. H. Rutherford; Mr. L. W. Still; Mr. J. A. Still; Mr. Tolbert Still.

BABY LAUGHTER OF MR. AND MRS. GLOSUP DIES IN DALLAS

Verna Marie, age three years, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Glosup, died in a Dallas sanitarium Monday, and the remains were interred in the Flatwoods cemetery Tuesday afternoon. The child had been sick just a few days when she passed away. The grieving parents have the sympathy of their many friends in Decatur in the passing of this sweet little daughter.

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Blue and Gold Packages

25c, 50c and \$1.00 VALUE For 19c, 39c, 79c, Special —SOLD BY— INGRAM DRUG CO.

Producers Milk Co. Open Plant Here Soon

The Green building on West Main is being remodeled and machinery is being installed for the opening of the Producers Milk Company's receiving plant, and the work is being hurried with all speed, and when ready for business this new enterprise to Decatur's industrial world will be one of the most modern in the state. With the coming of the Producers from Dallas, Decatur will have two huge milk plants sufficient to properly take care of the leading industry in Wise county. It will probably be several days before the Producers' Company will be ready for business. Messenger joins in business interests of Decatur in extending a hearty welcome to the Producers.

ELM NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Owens and two daughters, Merle and Geneva, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Smith on last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wiley and Miss Erlene Taylor spent Sunday in the H. N. Nikirk home.

Raymond Everett and family of Alvord have moved into the house recently vacated by Lonnie Rodgers and family.

H. J. Wiley and family visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sanders, of Jonestown Sunday.

Mrs. F. S. Wiley and son, Alfred Lee, visited last Thursday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Washburn of the Shiloh community.

Mrs. Prince of Lone Mound is vis-

iting with her daughter, Mrs. L. N. Nikirk, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Mar's Reynolds of Roe, Miss Deane Davis of Bridgeport and D. A. Davis and Henry Morrison of Hopewell, visited Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tison.

Mrs. F. S. Wiley and son spent last Thursday night with Miss Margaret Wiley of Decatur.

BABY CHICKS CUSTOM HATCH

White Leghorn and Heavy Breed Chicks

If you are not able to buy them I will let some White Leghorns out on halves, or take good note on them and REMEMBER—

I pick up eggs twice a week at Geo. Arnett's Grocery and deliver chicks back there.

MOSLEYS LEGHORN FARM

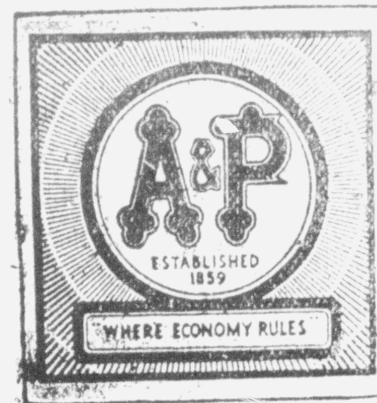
Alvord, Texas

Cream Shipper

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TENNESSEE DAIRIES



Fresh Crisp Lettuce ... 5c

CARROTS, bunch ... 3c

Winesap Apples doz. 12c

Oranges, nice, doz 17c

COYOTE FLOUR—48 lbs. - - 69c

JEWEL COMPOUND, 8 lb. pail 59c

Pure Cane SUGAR 10 lb. cloth bag 49c

8 O'CLOCK COFFEE

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On the Street

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north of Decatur. It was in a gulch the bottom of which was thirty-five feet from the surface of the ground. It appears to be a leg bone of some giant animal, and measures twenty inches in circumference and twenty-seven inches in length. The bone is on exhibition at the Mes-

ger office.

Talking about early days in Decatur, municipal laws, etc., Dr. Walter B. Man remarked: "Remember the city council passing a law requiring property owners to swing their gates from the inside." During those days Decatur had no street lights, and it is suggested that probably the law was made to protect citizens, some probably under the influence of strong drink, winding their ways home at night, and gates standing ajar over the sidewalks were dangerous obstacles.

Deputy Sheriff Earl Chapman promises to develop into a first-class referee in fist fights, if contests among prisoners in the county jail continue to be pulled. On two occasions he has been called in recently to quell set-toes in the jail. It seems that when a stubborn new arrival comes in to take up board and lodging with the county he is asked to have his conduct as prisoner governed by certain rules and regulations, and when he refuses a disagreement arises, and before time is called a fight is on. Kangaroo court rules have been in full force and effect ever since jails were built to house prisoners.

DECATUR HIGH TO GIVE STATE EXAM

State examinations will be given in the following subjects at Decatur High School April 26, 27 and 28.

Those wishing to take these examinations will appear according to the schedule given below with necessary materials. Fees for the examinations for one to four subjects will be \$1.00, for five to eight subjects, \$2.00, for nine to 12 subjects, \$3.00, and for 13 to 16 subjects, \$4.00.

Schedule: April 26—8 to 12 a. m. English 1 and 11 and Commercial Arithmetic; 2 to 6 p. m. General Science and Chemistry.

April 27—8 to 12 a. m. Ancient History, American Literature, Spanish 1 and 11; 2 to 6 p. m. Modern History, Algebra 1 and 11 and English Literature.

April 28—8 to 12 a. m. American History and Plane Geometry; 2 to 6 p. m. Civics.

TREATED SEED INSURES COTTON

What has been said in previous issues of the Messenger relative to some practices that might prove useful in the endeavor to grow a better cotton crop in Wise county this year may be summed up as follows: Treatment of seed before planting to prevent rot and insure an early stand. This is done by use of a chemical, procurable at the drug stores, called Ceresan. It is a powder that is dusted on the seed prior to their planting and kills the spores of certain diseases that are said to be seed-borne. The cost is about ten cents per acre, and a barrel rigged up for the mixing of the seed and the chemical may be used at Decatur on application to the Chamber of Commerce.

Seed treatment by Ceresan was recommended by D. T. Killough, agronomist at A. & M. College. In a test in 1929 rows averaged 750 pounds of seed cotton per acre as compared with a yield of only 327 pounds per acre for untreated seed.

Fertilizers: The prospective price of cotton would seem not to warrant expenditures for commercial fertilizers. However, the use of extra plant food on sandy land has been proven to have unquestioned value in increasing the per acre yield and hastening the growth and maturity of the crop in advance of the heaviest and earliest period of boll weevil attack.

A special agent of the A. and M. College in conference here recommended the following mixtures in the event any planter wants to use fertilizers: A 5-8-5 formula, composed of cotton seed meal, superphosphates and potash, the constituents to be bought separately and mixed at home. This mixture is composed of 200 pounds of cotton seed meal, 100 pounds of superphosphates and 25 pounds of potash. The recommendation is to use 200 pounds per acre under cotton, it being advisable to put the fertilizer in the ground considerably in advance of planting in order to permit the cottonseed meal to be converted into plant food.

This formula is especially useful in deep sandy land which is relatively low in plant food. Good sandy loam with a red clay sub-soil would probably not require the last element potash, but would respond to the cottonseed meal and the phosphates alone. The cost of the first mixture figures \$1.19 per 100 pounds, \$2.38 per acre for the suggested quantity of 200 pounds. The other mixture, the cotton seed meal and superphosphates exclusively, suggested for the better quality of land, would cost 80 cents a hundred, with 200 pounds per acre recommended for use.

In addition to the earliest planting that may be possible, combined with the use of fertilizers to hasten maturity, other methods in boll weevil control that have been suggested are, the collection and destruction of fallen squares where that might be practicable on smaller acreages, and the destruction of trash surrounding the fields before planting and before the weevil emerges.

With the thought of stimulating more interest in efforts to solve the problem of cotton growing in Wise county, the Decatur Chamber of Com-

merce has sponsored a five acre contest for this year. Fifty dollars will be paid to the farmer who grows the most cotton on five acres under observation of the simple rules that have been drafted. Twenty-five dollars will be paid as second prize and fifteen and ten dollars as third and fourth prizes.

Rules drafted to date are that lint measuring less than seven-eighths of an inch in length will not be considered in the contest. Other simple rules will be announced later. Contestants must announce their desire to compete to the committee prior to the close of the contest, entry blanks for which will be furnished.

The contest is open to any farmer in Wise county, and an invitation is extended to all to enter.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

The census trustees for the Decatur Independent School District have attempted to enumerate all children within the school age limits within the past few weeks. There may have been some overlooked, however, and it is urged that if any have been overlooked they get in touch with Superintendent L. J. Garner at once.

The age limits are September 1, 1915 to September 1, 1927. Children born during this period should be listed because it is on the basis of the number of scholars residing in the district that funds for operation are paid to the school by the state. Your co-operation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

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Community Singing

The Decatur Community Singing will be held tomorrow, Friday, night at the Pentecostal church. Everyone is extended a cordial invitation to be present.—Reporter.

FLATWOOD NEWS

Everyone enjoyed the preaching at Flatwoods last Sunday.

Miss Mozelle Goodger spent Saturday night with Miss Dean Womack.

Charlie Newbold is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Bunnell.

There will be a singing at Flatwoods Sunday, April 2, at 1 o'clock. S. B. Hardiman of Decatur will be in charge. Everyone is invited.

Mrs. H. M. Bunnell spent Wednesday

day of last week with Mrs. Anna Butler.

Misses Dean Womack and Ora Fay Brando visited with Mrs. Anna Butler last Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Harlan were visiting in this community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hopson of Wichita Falls visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Butler Sunday.

The Willing Workers club is planning to give a play. The date will be announced later. The name of the play is "Manhattan Honeymoon."

The pastor and congregation of a Hannibal, Mo., church all wear overalls or cheap print dresses to church on Sundays.

Wrapping bacon, potato chips, etc., in green cellophane prevents the light from turning them rancid.

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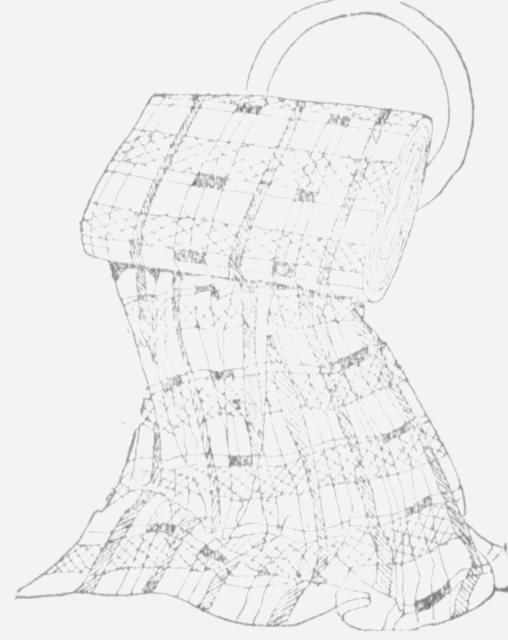
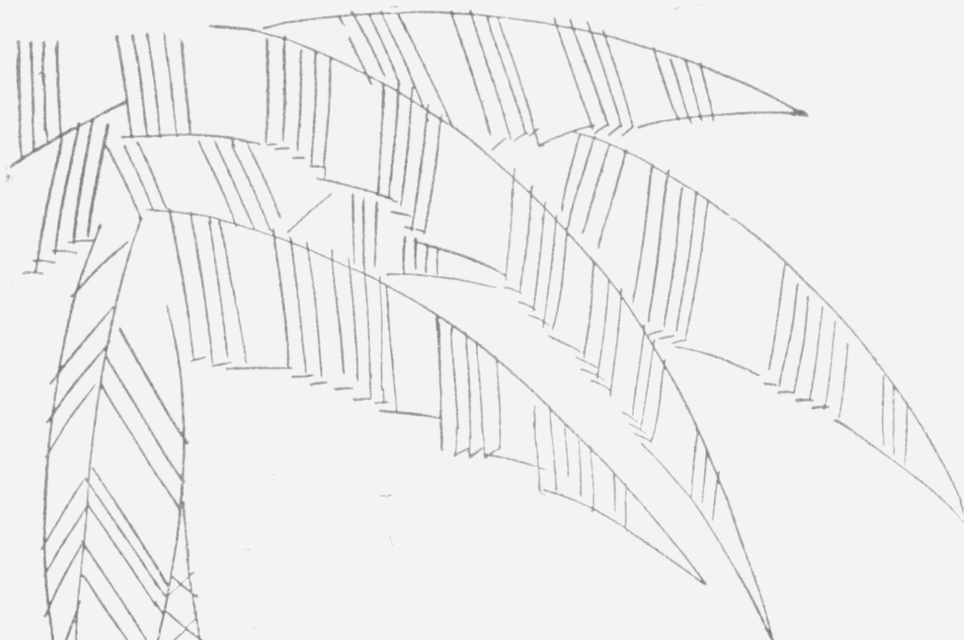
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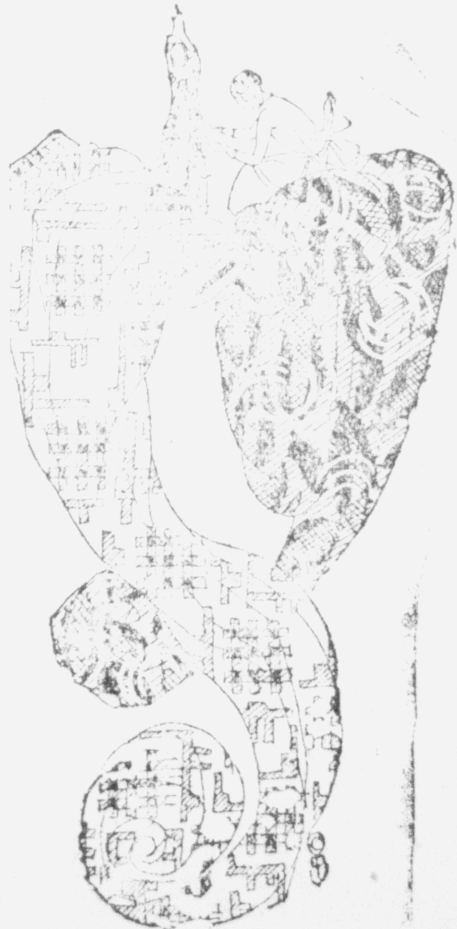
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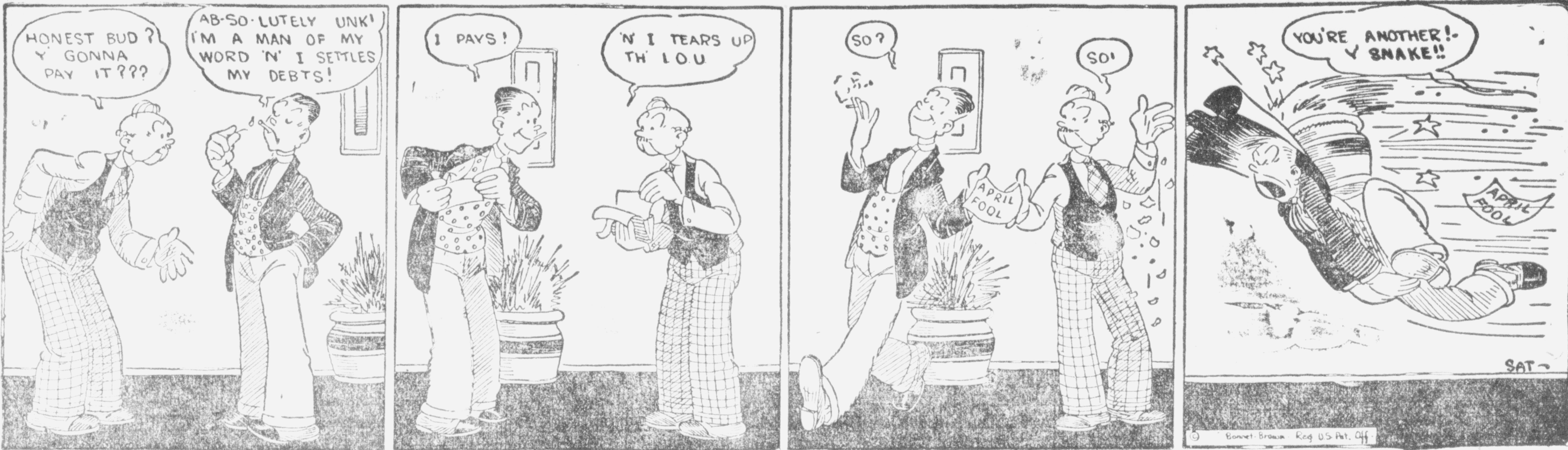
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"Our Country! In her intercourse with foreign nations, may she always be in the right; but our country, right or wrong." —Stephen Decatur.

Thursday Morning, March 30, 1933

Forty Years Ago

April 1, 1893.

The depot at Calumet on the Fort Worth & Denver, which has been used as a section house, owing to the fact that there was not enough business there to keep the depot open all the time, was blown away in the storm of Wednesday night, March 22, and was strewn over the prairie as though it had been merely a pile of lumber upon a hill. No one was hurt.—Fort Worth Gazette.

Tom Banks is drilling a public well in Paradise.

S. T. Rhodes and M. D. Cansler, business men of Paradise, pleasantly called on last Tuesday. They are sanguine as to the future of their town, and their expressions of confidence in the zeal and unity of action of its citizens, combined with our knowledge of the country surrounding it, lead us to believe that Paradise will soon be the second town in importance in the county.

Dave Frazer is building an addition to his residence.

Our aged friend, John Sharp, called on Wednesday and ordered the Messenger to his son, C. F. Sharp, in Oklahoma.

T. J. Kenny has gone into the furniture business again at his old stand.

Representative Tankersley was up from Austin this week.

Twenty Years Ago

April 4, 1913.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Emory Gese, March 31, 1913, a daughter.

Dr. S. J. Petty has joined the auto class, having purchased a nobby machine this week.

D. L. Mattix, living west of town, was kicked in the head by a horse Wednesday morning. The injury was a painful one, but not serious.

Mrs. John E. Boyd left this week for Dallas to visit her daughter and John Mr. Boyd, who has reached Dallas on his return trip from a month's stay in Havana.

Dr. and Mrs. L. H. Reeves and little daughter leave in a few days for New York, where the Doctor will take a course of lectures from the most eminent men of medicine in the country.

The Decatur troop of Boy Scouts, headed by Scoutmaster M. B. Smith, spent last Saturday at the reunion grounds. Nineteen boys took the trip, and every one of them enjoyed the outing. The boys will soon have tents and camping outfits, and are planning several camping trips this summer.

A tressle burned out on the Denver road near the Greathouse place north of town Saturday, which delayed all trains for ten hours. Passenger train No. 2 came near running into the burned tressle before the engineer noticed the damage. When the train was brought to a standstill it was only a short distance from the gap.

Return of the two-cent postage rate for letters by July 1 is forecast by Rep. James M. Read, of New York, who says that the increase has resulted in an estimated reduction of more than 5,000,000,000 pieces of first-class mail for the current fiscal year.

House Oil Inquiry Drags to Close

The investigation of the railroad commission is finally completed. The proponents have made their findings. An important section of the investigating committee evidently do not approve of the criticisms of the steering committee, but, even if given face value, the result remains a pleasure to every friend of the commission.

No charge was sustained, or developed to the point of serious consideration, that reflected on the financial integrity of any member of the commission. In the midst of the administration of properties involving millions of dollars, they have remained personally honest. No contention has been made that the commission does not place first, and protect to the best of its ability, the interests of the state and the people of Texas.

The first criticism is that the appointments are political. This is true of all governmental appointments not under civil service. The test is, not the reason for the appointment, but the competence of the employee and by this standard the prosecution does not seem to have made out a case.

The second finding is that the commission has, in East Texas, issued invalid orders. In two years the oil industry has moved a substantial distance along the road of efficient state supervision. A long way remains yet to go. No order regulating East Texas production at this time, can escape the gauntlet of the courts. It seems doubtful if any practical order will be sustained by the federal courts. Until the United States supreme court finally defines the extent of the powers of the state to control these matters, the enforcement of proration must hobble along under almost superhuman difficulties. To criticize the commission for these difficulties is obviously unjust.

It is charged that some of the majors will welcome the abandonment of proration and that the January price smash had such a purpose behind it. It has greatly increased the danger of a breakdown and may yet bring it about. The federal injunction granted last Saturday to Danziger may also cause a collapse. Obviously, some operators can not remain tied while others operate unrestrained for long periods of time. If for either of these reasons it becomes impossible to continue proration the fault will not be with the commission. It is rather to be commended for the ability with which it has so far controlled the situation.

The third criticism is the Panhandle gas matter. The facts seem to be that the Panhandle gas district is in the grip of a powerful combination of Eastern utilities in which the Standard of New Jersey and the Cities Service are dominant. They are transporting enormous quantities of gas out of this state. They pay practically no taxes upon the gas and are using their monopoly to crush every local interest. The legislature has twice attempted a correction. The commission for two years has made repeated attempts at reasonable solutions. The attitude of these corporations throughout has re-

CURRENT COMMENT FROM WASHINGTON

"To be or not to be, that is the question" respecting two important relief measures proposed by the president and offered for legislative action. While the bank scare was on, congress was ready to turn over plenary power to the president, but during the past two weeks, congress has had what the criminal lawyers call "cooling time," and is thinking things over. Thus it happens that the senate looks askance at the farm relief bill in its present form, and the plan for giving a quarter of a million men employment on public works is not hailed with entire approval in all quarters either.

The bill for the relief of the unemployed calls for a service of a year at something like soldier's pay, with the assurance that enlistment in the workers' army may be about as hard to shake off as enlistment in any other army; and compulsory service of that kind is galling to some. Then, too, the funds for the enterprise are to come from unexpended cash already dedicated to other public construction, but not found to be spent in that way. The inquiry that is raised is: What is to become of the ordinary public works, if the money for carrying them on is to be diverted to another channel? Finally labor organizations fear a lowering of the wage standard by a system calling for enlisted toil at a dollar a day.

Upon the one hand, there is room for plenty of debate respecting relief of unemployment, at least on theoretical grounds. Upon the other hand, and practically speaking, if the unemployed men in a community could be kept busy, fed and clothed for a whole year, and at the end of that time the town had its roads in repair, a waste area re-forested, or several hundred acres of swamp turned into useful building or pleasure ground, no one would arise and say that the whole scheme was a failure.

Some think that we have too many laws, and they may be right, but an extra law here and there comes in handy at that. A known bad man upon whom it is hard to get the goods for his more serious misdeeds, can at least be put away for a season of reflection if he is found with a gun in his pocket. A well-known bootlegger and gang magnate is taking a period of enforced quiet because he was not candid enough about his income tax, and just now some officials of broken banks are being hauled up for a similar lack of frankness. It is a good thing to have forbidden soil covered with a variety of traps. The wrong door can not think of them all.

March occupies a prominent place

in the minds of the people. It is a month of arrogant and contempt for the authority of this state. The commission was finally faced with a decision as to whether it would longer permit the utilities to drain gas from under the properties of its own defenseless citizens or to allow its people to use their gas for any commercial purpose. It is difficult to see how any member of the Texas legislature has been able to find in this action any just basis for criticism.

This appears to be the complete case uncovered by several weeks of careful investigation. The results justify the faith that Texans have had in the honesty and administrative ability of the railroad commission.—Austin Statesman.

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In history. In that month Presidents Madison, Jackson, Tyler and Cleveland were born, and Presidents Fillmore, Benjamin Harrison and Taft died. It claims the Boston Massacre in revolution, the opening of the first United States congress, the departure of the first steamboat to cross the Atlantic, battle of the Monitor and the Merrimac, the abdication of the Czar of Russia, and so on, through a long list. March 1933 made some history also. It was full of what the young folk call "thrills." Older persons apply a harsher name to them.

A senator has introduced a resolution terminating the electoral college as a means for electing a president, but it does not go to the extent of putting the choice actually into the hands of the individual voter. The average man wonders why the presidential candidate who receives the most votes should not look forward to occupying the White House with the same certainty as the constable who gets the most votes looks forward to putting on his badge. Yet it has not always turned out that way in presidential elections. John Quincy Adams, sixth president, had one hundred and five thousand votes as against one hundred and fifty-five thousand for Andrew Jackson. About three hundred thousand more voters preferred Samuel J. Tilden than Mr. Hayes. Benjamin Harrison ran nearly a hundred thousand behind Mr. Cleveland in 1888, but took the president's chair under the electoral choice. The country may have got good men, but they were not the men actually elected, as that term appeals to the ordinary understanding.

The New York Times furnishes the let-down and smile material for the week when it prints a want ad stating that a gentleman with a Broadway address wishes a talking parrot and "will pay double if he swears."

BAPTIST W. M. U.

Eighteen ladies met at the Baptist church Monday afternoon for the regular monthly missionary lesson.

Mrs. Floyd Clifton was leader of the program, the subject being "Peace."

The district meeting of the Baptist W. M. U., which met at Mineral Wells Wednesday and Thursday, was attended by the following Decatur women: Mmes. W. C. Milligan, Heflin, Clifton, Patterson, Hunt, Watkins, Battorf, Wilkerson and Miss Bell Ford. Mrs. Milligan was one of the speakers at this meeting. Her subject was "Decatur College."



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Our pastor, Gilbert Wilson, is still in his meeting at Lake Worth. In his absence Rev. S. L. Beasley preached for us at both hours last Sunday and brought to us two helpful messages. A good interest and attendance at all the services.

Usual services through the week. Bro. Earl Mooney, one of our young ministers, will conduct the prayer meeting Thursday night (tonight) and preach for us. Choir practice Friday night. Bro. Wilson will be in charge of the service Saturday night.

We have seven days in the week. The Lord gives us six of the seven in which to perform our secular duties, but claims one day for Himself, the Lord's day. Let us not rob Him of His day by absencing ourselves from His house and services. He admonishes us to "Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together." It should be with us as it was with David. "He says, 'I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.'"

A special invitation is extended to all who are not in Sunday school elsewhere, to come to our Bible school at 10 a. m. Let it not be said of us as it was by the prophet of old to his people who turned a deaf ear to God's Word: "O earth, earth, hear the word of the Lord. I spake unto thee in thy prosperity, but thou saidst, I will not hear. This has been thy manner from thy youth, that thou obeyest not my voice." A "famine of God's Word in the land" is cursing the world today.—Amos 8.

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LOCAL NEWS

Bert Moore of Denton was a Decatur visitor Sunday.

Mrs. Laura Brown is visiting here from Denton county this week.

Mrs. Roger Nobles is in Fort Worth attending an art exhibit.

Mrs. J. H. Cates was a visitor in Denton Monday.

J. R. Moore was in Dallas Monday.

Mrs. Lev Sellers and Mrs. Bill Alexander entertained the Bible study class at the home of Mrs. W. W. Brown Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Jeff Seay and son and Miss Bill Burton were Fort Worth visitors Friday.

Mrs. W. H. Portwood of Seymour, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harley Portwood north of town.

Mrs. Dick Collins and Miss Frances Collins were Bowie visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lodal and son, of Mineral Wells, were visiting Mrs. G. W. Davis here.

Judge H. E. Brady and Commissioner Jim Nix were in Austin on business.

Miss Mary Louise Ruff of Wichita Falls is visiting Miss Ruth Johnson here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Patterson visited Mr. and Mrs. Don Martin in Weatherford last Sunday.

Mrs. C. L. Christian and daughter, Miss Maxine, were Fort Worth visitors one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Cobb and son, Shelley, were Ponder visitors on last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Milligan from Greenwood were Decatur shoppers on Saturday.

The Decatur Community singing is to be held tomorrow, Friday, night at the Pentecostal church.

Mr. and Mrs. Auz Shaw and children were Dallas visitors last Sunday.

Victor Nobles, wife and daughter, Bennie Wayne, of Wichita Falls, were here Sunday, visiting his mother, Mrs. R. W. Nobles.

Mrs. Chas. Morgan entertained a few of her friends with a bridge party at her home on West Walnut street last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Foster were here from Bowie last Sunday, visiting Mrs. Foster's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cummins.

Mrs. Jeff Seay was an Abilene visitor Saturday. Her little son, Jeff, is spending the week with his grandparents there.

Miss Eloise Stone of N. T. S. T. C. at Denton visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stone, here over the week-end.

Mrs. Coleman has moved into the R. L. Thompson apartment on West Walnut street.

Mrs. Aubrey Ingram and Mrs. Homer Sleight were in Fort Worth Tuesday.

Misses Myrtia Dean Poore, Myrie Renshaw and Anna Lee Nelson were here from Bridgeport on last Friday.

Mrs. W. C. Milligan, Mrs. J. V. Patterson and Miss Bell Ford attended the Baptist Missionary Society conference in Mineral Wells last Wednesday and Thursday.

The 2006 immigrant aliens admitted to permanent residence in the United States during November 1932 was the smallest number admitted in a single month since 1931.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our thanks to our many friends who have helped share our sorrow, in the recent sickness and death of our dear loved one. Mrs. John Deaton; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Deaton; Mr. and Mrs. Grady Deaton; Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Cooper; Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Alderson; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hobson.

Nail holes in woodwork can be filled with sawdust mixed with glue.

Riches, Fame and Power—What Do They Weigh Against Love? Begin "Big Time," One of the Greatest Novels of the Year, in The American Weekly, the Magazine Distributed with Next Sunday's CHICAGO HERALD.

Renfro's "NEW DEAL" on Spring Needs

DRUGS-TOILETRIES-SUNDRIES and OUR SPRING

Thursday
Friday
Saturday
APRIL
6th, 7th
and 8th

\$1.50 Renfro's Alarm Clock - - - - - 89c

10c Life Buoy Soap 3 for - - - - - 19c

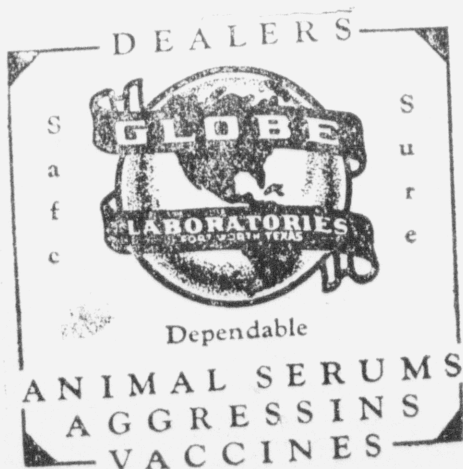
35c Kotex - - - - - 19c

Coty Face Powder and Perfume Set - - 89c

\$1.20 Syrup Pepsin 79c	75c Vicks Salve 49c
50c Pepsodent Antiseptic 43c	\$1.50 Nature's Crystals 98c

We are famous for our good Coca Colas—During 1 Cent Sale, 2 for 6c

10c Colgates Soap - - - 5c	Pint Vacuum Bottle - - - 89c
Stock Dip Gallon \$1.49	Gillette or Probak blade 2 pkgs. 55c



VACCINATE EARLY! Let us lend you a syringe

Rexall ORIGINAL

ONE CENT SALE

Puretest ASPIRIN
Bottle of 100 2 for 70c
Box of 24 2 for 26c

50c Mi 31 SHAVING CREAM
A smooth easy shave.
2 for 51c

Rexall Milk of Magnesia Tooth Paste
25c size
2 for 26c

MILK CHOCOLATE
Tasty and wholesome.
2 for 20c

ON ALL REXALL ITEMS in this advertisement and very Low Prices on all other Brands. This "New Deal" Spring Sale Offers decided SAVINGS. Plans are laid and you will long remember This Our First Great Sale of 1933.

THE DELICIOUS LAXATIVE
Rexall ORDERLIES
The delicious candy laxative. They never gripe or irritate.
Tin of 60 50c 2 for 51c

Rexall TOOTH PASTE
Whitens—cleans. Sweetens breath.
regular 25c 2 for 26c

Rexall SHAVING CREAM
For a fast, smooth and pleasant shave
2 for 26c

40c Cascade POUND PAPER
Correctly styled.
2 for 41c

Instantly cools and soothes the skin. Invigorates and drives out muscle soreness.
Puretest Rubbing ALCOHOL
reg. 50c 2 for 51c

Puretest CASTOR OIL
Preferred because sweeter and purer.
3 ozs. 8 ozs.
2 for 26c 2 for 46c

50c KLENZO Dental Creme
Makes teeth look whiter—feel cleaner in one brushing.
2 for 51c

Rexall Theatrical COLD CREAM
The kind that actors use. Gives real skin cleansing.
reg. 75c 2 for 76c

FOUNTAIN SPECIALS
Ice Cream Cones—Pecan, Chocolate Vanilla, Strawberry, 2 for—5c
Ice Cream Soda—served with Pangburn's Pure Food ice cream 5c
Milk Shake—served with Pangburn's Pure Food ice cream 5c

Rexall TOILET SOAP
An excellent soap for family or guest. Quick, soft and abundant lather. Scented.
regular 10c 2 for 11c

25c Medford Stationery
Embossed linen finish. 24 sheets. 24 envelopes. White—tint.
2 for 26c

25c Georgia Rose TALCUM
Banishes discomfort and irritation. Silken soft and fragrant. Highly absorbent.
2 for 26c

Riker's ILASOL
Protects hands and face from chaps and pulling. Relieves windburn.
50c regular 2 for 51c

MANY MORE BARGAINS TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION!
50c DUSKA FACE POWDER
Soft and clinging.
2 for 51c

Mi 31 SOLUTION
Mouth Tested Antiseptic. Protects against bad breath.
2 for 60c

KLENZO Coconut Oil SHAMPOO
Lathers quickly into rich cleansing foam. Removes the flakes, dirt grime. Pure oils tone the hair.
reg. 2 for 51c 50c 2 for 51c

25c Zinc Stearate
For chafed tender skin. Close clinging. Waterproof.
2 for 26c

1.00 PEPTONA
Enriches the blood, rebuilds nerve tissue and muscle. Aids digestion. Increases appetite.
2 for \$1.01

Puretest EPSOM SALT
1 lb. reg. 25c 3 oz. reg. 10c
2 for 26c 2 for 11c

JASMINE FACE POWDER
Delightfully fragrant
\$1 regular 2 for \$1.01

Puretest COD LIVER OIL
Richest in Vitamins. Finest flavor.
reg. \$1.00 2 for \$1.01

25c Puretest IODINE
The safe and sure antiseptic for cuts and wounds. Glass applicator included.
2 for 26c

KLENZO Cleaning Cloth
2 for 40c

25 yr. Puritan Plate Silverware
Unusually attractive yet restrained and dignified.
Teaspoon 2 for 26c
Tablespoon 2 for 51c
Medium Fork 2 for 51c
Stainless Knife 2 for 81c
Iced Tea Spoon 2 for 46c

Midnight CREAMS
New formulas give you latest discoveries of the greatest cosmeticians.
reg. 50c 2 for 51c

BOUQUET RANEE Talcum
Silken soft and fragrant. Saves Daily frocks.
regular 50c 2 for 51c

VICTORIA HOT WATER BOTTLE
Made of soft pliable rubber in one piece.
reg. \$1.50 2 for \$1.51

KLENZO FACIAL TISSUE
Soft and absorbent.
reg. 25c 2 for 26c

Riker's White Pine and Tar Mentholated
A pleasant tasting cough syrup that gives quick relief.
reg. 50c 2 for 51c

Puretest MILK of MAGNESIA
Neutralizes excess acid. Free from earthy taste too.
reg. 50c 2 for 51c

STAG latherless SHAVING CREAM
Shave without water, without a brush, or rubbing.
Reg. 35c 2 for 36c

HARMONY CREAM of ALMONDS
Keeps skin soft, smooth, fair. Soothes, heals chapping, etc.
Reg. 35c 2 for 36c

Save with Safety at your **Rexall** DRUG STORE

RENFRO'S HOME INSTITUTION

Sanitary Napkins
More absorbent and comfortable. Form fitting. Sanitary. Easily disposed of.
2 for 26c

PONTEX TOILET TISSUE
Protect your family! Fine, carefully made tissue. Soft and very absorbent.
10c 2 for 11c

PIONEER CITIZEN WRITES EDITOR

(The following letter, parts of which were written months ago, was received this week.—Editor.)

Flagstone, British Columbia.—Editor Messenger, Dear Sir: I hope you will pardon my negligence in not acknowledging receipt of the Messenger and thanking you for your kindness in sending me same. The only apology I have to offer is that when "after digging" times come in Canada, everybody gets busy, as the Equinox (Sept. 21st) generally brings a three days storm, followed by a freeze sufficient to injure the "spuds." Then too I have been very busy this past month helping my grand-daughter's husband harvest and store, for winter, what can not be sold from a ten acre field of vegetables. Now that we have everything in the cellar and pitted in the field safe from frost (40 below in January), I have, as the old saying goes, "more time than money," so to kill time and possibly awaken the memory of the old times who have been wise enough to stay in good old Wise county—and the Sunny South.

Like most people living on borrowed time, having passed the allotted time of life, "three score and ten," I have been running from death for the past year. My home is in Lacombe, Alberta, where I have resided for the past twenty-five years, but owing to ill health I decided to "hobo" for a while with my children, so a year ago I hit the trail for southern Idaho where I have a son living. I remained there for a while, then came back to British Columbia and spent the balance of the winter with my oldest son, living at Flagstone. Mrs. Hunt came to visit me in March and decided to spend the summer with me here in the mountains of British Columbia.

So I built us a shack near my grand-daughter's, so that mother would have company and a grand-child to amuse her. And say, we had a real old folks' honeymoon till the 1st of September when she went back to Lacombe, to look after affairs left in charge of our daughter.

I will remain here for a while yet, as I seem to be getting a Nelson hold on Old Father Time, having gained twenty pounds since I began to ramble, and feel now that I am good for

another ten years at least.

To those still living that were my friends fifty years ago I say, "Howdy, boys, and God bless you." I would appreciate a letter from some one of the old gang. When the Messenger came it seemed like a letter from home. I was so eager to hear from my native land that I could hardly wait to tear off the wrap, and I enjoyed very much reading the advertisements as well as the local news, but when I searched in vain for some of the old landmarks and failed to find the Shoemaker Hotel, The Grider House, Cates and Woods, S. L. Terrell and others who were in business in Decatur in the early seventies, I more fully realized that fifty years bring many changes in the average span of life—yet it seems only a little while since Tom Waggoner and I had our feast of dried apples. I think it was in 1868 that Tom's father drove a trail herd of cattle to Kansas, and one of the luxuries he brought back was two gunny sacks of dried apples. These apples were left on the north porch of the Waggoner home, a few miles west of Bridgeport, and as Tom and I were at all times looking for something good to eat, we discovered a hole in one of the apple sacks. Well, we made the hole just a little bit larger and began our feast on Yankee dried apples. And even now when I see a dried apple memory of the bellyache of '68 takes me back to the old D Ranch.

Sixty-eight to '80 soon passed, and when I was last in Decatur in 1880 I met Tom in Gordon Brothers' saloon, and like all good democrats we sampled a wee bit of Gordon's Red-eye, and to prolong the pleasure of our meeting again we began rolling ten pins. We were knocking pins right and left when all at once Tom dropped his ball grabbed his coat and as he bolted for the door, he said, "The baby is sick and I came after Dr. Embury and forgot all about it." I hope Tom is still living and that he has plenty of dried apples to keep his memory green.

I see from the Messenger that somebody is constructing a dam across the West Fork at Bridgeport, and I will bet a dollar to a penny that they spoil my old fishing hole with their monkey work. However, I will not ask Judge Patterson to grant an injunction, as I may never see the old fishing hole again, and I find the mountain trout from the snow-fed streams of British Columbia are equally as good as the mid-ents of the West Fork of the

Trinity.

Turn backward, turn backward, oh time, in your flight; make me a cowboy again just for tonight." I want to get drunk and "shoot up the town" and say "Howdy" to the Terrell boys, Tom Shoemaker and Judge Patterson, who on his arrival in Decatur in '62, a blossoming young lawyer, obtained board and lodging with Col. Bishop, provided he would sleep with me—and who was forever "cranking" about my kicking like a cockeyed mule.

W. H. HUNT, Lock Box 502, Lacombe, Alberta, Canada.

PERSONS DRIVING OVER FIRE HOSE WILL BE FINED

Any person or persons that drives over a fire hose will be fined \$5.00. No one will be excused if found guilty. The city authorities are behind the fire department in enforcing this rule. Anyone violating this rule will be reported.

CHIEF BRUCE BULGAREL.

Read the Classifieds; it pays.

ELECTION ORDER

Be it ordered by the Board of Trustees of Decatur Independent School District that an election be held at Court House, in the Town of Decatur in said Decatur Independent School District on the 1st day of April 1933, for the purpose of electing two School Trustees for said Decatur Independent School District.

John Gentry is hereby appointed manager of said election, and he shall select two judges and two clerks to assist him in holding the same, and said election shall be held in the manner prescribed by law for holding other elections.

The returns of said election shall be made to the Board of Trustees of said Independent School District in accordance with law.

A copy of this order signed by the president and attested by the secretary of this board shall serve as proper notice of said election, and the president shall cause notice of said election to be given in accordance with law.

In Testimony Whereof, witness the signatures of the President and Secretary of said Decatur Independent School District and the seal thereof hereunto affixed, this 14th day of March 1933.

J. E. DOUGLASS, President Decatur Independent School District.

Attest: W. A. HANNA, Secretary.

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SPEND AND SAVE MONEY

NOT so long ago a famous personage advised the American public to "spend." Another equally noted man retorted with the advice "save." Perhaps both were right, but the better policy would seem to be "spend wisely in order to save."

Spending wisely simply means to use your money for those things that you need, as the condition of your purse may warrant—and at the same time, to buy only those articles that have actually proved their quality and worth. By purchasing merchandise that gives the greatest value for the money, you secure the longest service and so save the price of a repurchase.

Thrift is a virtue, but so is wise investment. The advertising in this paper is a reliable guide as to where and when to get the utmost value for your money.

Advertising is a safe and trustworthy guide to sound investment. It has proved its reliability. You buy advertised wares every day—consciously or unconsciously. You buy by name, because you know that the advertised article has served you well in the past, and will continue to do so in the future.

Read the advertisements, that you may spend wisely—and save.

The Pages of This Newspaper Carry the Advertisements of Reliable Merchants.
Read Them—Take Advantage of the Opportunities They Offer

BIG SALE CONTINUES!

People from all sections of the county are coming in to take advantage of the BARGAINS offered in our great Third Anniversary Sale, which continues through this week and until April 4th.

HOTTEST BARGAIN EVENT

SEE BIG CIRCULAR FOR PRICE LIST

Decatur Hardware Co.

Incorporated

McCormick-Deering Implement Dealer, Complete Line of Repairs
JOHN JENKINS, Mgr.
"Where Money Talks"

WISE COUNTY MESSENGER

Your Newspaper

MESSANGER'S LETTER BOX

RETROGRESSION

Progression is a high-sounding term which has been used, in the last few years, a great deal. Progression, in the true sense, means a moving forward toward something better. Retrogression is just as high-sounding a term, but a term not quite so familiar with the average reader. Retrogression means a moving backward toward something worse. A moving backward from God and His Word will end in the worst sort of disaster.

Note what the Word of God says. "And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I have commanded thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth; and all these blessings shall come upon thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God." Then following, the blessings are enumerated. Again, "But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command you this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee." Then following, the curses are enumerated. Quotations from Deut. 28: 1, 2, 15. Again the Lord says, "If they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments; then will I visit their transgression with a rod, and their iniquity with stripes." Ps. 89:31, 32. "And the Lord saith Because they have forsaken my law which I set before them, and have not obeyed my voice, neither walked therein; but have walked after the imagination of their own heart:***Therefore saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Behold I will feed them, even this people, with wormwood, and give them gall to drink." Jer. 9:13, 14, 15. It may be asked, "Wherein have we moved backward from God and His Word?" "Wherein is our retrogression?" The answer is, "Let us see."

We used to think we should have some reverence for the house of God. Now we are treating the house of the Lord as if it were only a public hall; as a place of social occasions; as a place of theatrical plays, and various sorts of worldly entertainments; for purely political gatherings; the song books and the furniture are marred and torn; and in many other ways is lack of reverence shown. On the occasion of the dedication of the Temple, the Lord said to Solomon concerning the Temple: "I have heard thy prayer, and have chosen this place to myself for an house of sacrifice;" that is a place of worship. 2 Chr. 7:12. Jesus went into the Temple and found the Jews perverting God's place of worship, turning it into a place of merchandising, and righteous indignation moved our Lord to make "a scourge of small cords" with which he drove out the irreverent Jews, saying, "It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves." Mat. 21:13. Irreverence for the house of God is retrogression of serious nature.

Disregard for the Christian Sabbath abounds among the people "which are called by my name." Some twenty, or less, years ago, we thought it not good to do business on the Lord's Day for gain, but now for profit we carry on many sorts of business; we are found on the golf field; we are found attending contest ball games; in our larger cities, the church people, by the thousands, attend the Sunday schools and the church services in the morning, and in the afternoon are in the theaters, picture shows, witnessing fire combats; and even in the mixed bathing pools; engaging in many other dissensions, as if our Lord were yet in his tomb. No! for now, He is "alive forevermore." And yet, our Lord says, "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy." And again, "How long will this people provoke me?" The Lord said of those who found delight in observance of the Sabbath: "I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father." Isa. 58:14. But, of those who neglect and sold on the Sabbath, Nehemiah said to the people, "Did not your fathers thus, and did not our God bring all this evil upon us, and upon this city? yet ye bring more wrath upon Israel by profaning the Sabbath." We will not escape from our spiritual retrogression.

The Lord says, "Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God," that is a hinder of the salvation of souls, and a destroyer of the cause of the Son of God in the world. In addition to the extreme national sins of the worldly nature named above, note the wild enthusiasm of contest athletics; Christian people spending hundreds of thousands for athletic buildings, and only giving small pitiful thousands for home and foreign missions, at the same time claiming the missionary

spirit; paying a home-runner more than our president receives. This is retrogression, back from emphasis on the spiritual to emphasis on the physical.

With respect to modesty of dress our Lord commands, "that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety;" and yet our schools will draw from the country home the demure, blushing maid to soon send her out, with every trace of sobriety and the blush washed from her face, to walk our streets with exposures calculated to again cause God to repent that He made man. Wee for our retrogression!

The Lord, Deuteronomy 22:5, commands, "The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto men, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment; for all that do so are abominable unto the Lord thy God." Also even "abomination" to sinful man. Quite a lot of people think that women and daughters of our land should heed the plain command of God, and that fathers and mothers should not pay for no! encourage womanhood to thus violate God's will in matter of donning man's apparel. If we do not cease our retrogression, take this further prophecy, that this Nation may expect more serious curses than of the late World War and of the present depression, with its attendant slavery, starvation, suicides, wrecked fortunes and homes. Shall we awaken? —R. L. BLANKENSHIP.

NEWARK NEWS

Mrs. Green and son, Jack, are visiting in Claridon, Ark., this week. Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Lavery were in Decatur Monday.

Jack Wilson is working near Alvord this week.

W. B. Sharp, superintendent of the schools here, is ill this week with a case of measles. His brother, John Sharp, of Poolville, is teaching in his place.

Mrs. R. A. Hudson entertained on Saturday night with a radio party. The guests included Burch Gary and little daughter, Frances Jean, of Fort Worth. Miss Mary Ruth Snyder of Petrolia, Jack Wilson, J. V. Stroud, Misses Alta and Bina Harvey, Opal Roberts and Pauline Randolph, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Lausater.

Mrs. W. A. Hill spent Friday night and Saturday in Fort Worth.

Challen, Bassham, Clifford Bailey and Allen Royal were Fort Worth visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Palmer and little daughter, Daisy, and Miss Mary Ruth Snyder of Petrolia visited Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Palmer over the weekend.

Jack Striggins and daughters, Adelle Belle and Lyndale, and son, Hamilton, and wife of Boyd, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Anglin Friday night.

The sympathy of this community goes out to Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Royals in the loss of their son, Jim Douglas, whose untimely death came at 7:20 o'clock Friday evening, March 17. The funeral services were conducted from the Methodist church by Rev. Hicks of Rhame, and burial was in the Dido cemetery.

SYCAMORE NEWS

Effie Griffith and Mary Eta Smith spent Sunday with Mildred Young.

Mrs. Jack Wright visited with Mrs. Merlin Gage Thursday afternoon.

Nell Fields entertained a number of friends Friday night.

There has been a great deal of illness in this community.

Daisy Mayo Hall and Lula Marge Boyett attended church at Allison on Sunday night.

Mildred Slater visited Christine Wood Sunday.

Carroll Weatherby and T. H. Young were entertained in the Woods home Saturday night.

John Bob Young and Elmo McNeely are on the sick list.

Lula Mae Boyett of Boyd spent Sunday with her grandmother, Mrs. E. B. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. and W. B. Bradford visited relatives in Decatur Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. Roy Murphy spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. Gene Young.

Nell Fields visited Mary Eta Smith Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Thomas and family visited George Mahood and family Sunday.

Mrs. J. E. McDonald entertained her children Sunday with a birthday dinner.

Larada Gage and Aquilla Faye Young visited Rev. J. Washburn Sunday afternoon.

ATTENTION, GREENWOOD METHODISTS

Next Sunday is our day to be at Greenwood, and it is hoped that the weather and other conditions will be favorable, so that we can have a good day of it, and have well attended services, both morning and night. On the 18th of next month our District Conference convenes at Jacksboro, and at this Conference the pastor gives a report of the progress of the work on his charge, and to have all matters attended to as they should be, our half of the year's work should be attended to by that time. Let us do our best to see that we can accomplish this goal as nearly as possible.

R. E. PARKER, Pastor.

It pays to read the classifieds.

Hints for the Household

By BETTY WEBSTER

THINGS WORTH KNOWING How To Clean a Straw Hat

Until you have tried this easy method you really can't realize how simple it is to make a soiled straw hat look like new.

Brush all the dust off of it, then go all over it with damp corn-meal, rubbing it in well. Next apply dry meal, work thoroughly into the straw and leave it for some hours. Brush out the meal and wash freely with peroxide of hydrogen. Let it dry in the shade.

COOKING HINTS Fried Bush

Method: Put 2 cups of boiling water in a double boiler. Add a little salt. Pour one cup of corn meal slowly into water. Stir until it thickens. If too thick, thin with water. Cook slowly for at least one hour. Pour into a buttered loaf pan. Let stand until cold and stiff. Cut into slices. Dip each slice into flour and fry. Serve in place of meat with butter and maple syrup.

Fish Chowder

Any fish can be used. Halibut or canned Fish Flakes always make good chowder.

1 1-2 pounds of fish.
1 cup of potatoes (cubed)
1 cup of tomatoes.
1 cup of milk.
1-2 cup of salt pork or bacon, cut up.
1-2 cup of onions, cup up.

A little flour.
Method: Clean fish and boil for 15 minutes. Cut up bacon or pork and brown nicely in butter. Fry onions, add tomato, onions, and pork to fish and water mixture. Add seasoning and milk. Cook slowly for 20 minutes. Mix flour with water and make a paste. Stir this into chowder until it thickens. Serve with warm crackers.

BAKING HINTS Date Cake

1 pound of dates (ground).
1 level teaspoon of soda.
1 cup of boiling water.
A little butter.
1 cup of sugar.
1 1-2 cups of flour.
Salt.
1-2 cup of nuts.

Method: Grind dates. Rub soda into dates. Pour over 1 cup of boiling water. Add the remaining ingredients. Bake in a moderate oven.

Date Cream

2 cups of milk.
1 egg.
1-4 teaspoon of cinnamon.
1 package of dates.
A little salt.

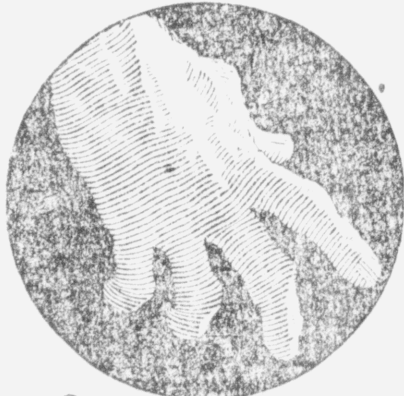
Method: Pour milk over dates. Put in double boiler. Steam for 1 hour. Make dates fine by cutting or pressing them through a colander. Add egg, salt and cinnamon. Put into pie pan lined with crust and bake 45 minutes in slow oven.

Include These Desserts in Your List of Favorites

Baked Orange Pudding

2 eggs.
Cup of milk.
Tablespoon of melted butter.
3 cups of flour into which two teaspoons of baking powder have been sifted).

4 oranges.
Method: Make a batter of the eggs, milk and melted butter and flour. Peel, seed and cut the oranges into bits. Beat these into the batter and bake in a greased pudding dish in a hot oven. Serve with hot orange



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Get some genuine tablets of Bayer Aspirin and take them freely until you are entirely free from pain.

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Baked Charlotte

Slice stale cake as neatly as possible. Spread jam or jelly on each piece. Pour over it a raw custard made by beating an egg very light and stirring it into a large cupful of milk. No sugar needed. Bake, covered for half an hour. Eat hot with lemon sauce or very cold with cream.

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CATLETT NEWS

Rosie Lee Teague and Reba Sherman spent Thursday night with Mrs. Grace Canter.

Louise Sherman visited in the Allison community Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Renshaw and daughter, Martha Bell, attended the wedding of Miss Mabel Brumley Sunday evening.

Sunday guests of Jeff Sherman and family were Al Ellis of Argyle and Fred Legg of Denton.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ashleck and son spent the weekend with J. M. Teague and family.

Grandpa Goforth is on the sick list this week.

Louise Sherman and Jerry Clark were in the Allison community Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Goforth were in Justin Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Caraway visited in Allison Monday night.

Othel Legg, Jim and J. T. Teague attended a party at Gene Layfield's home on Saturday night.

Martha Bell Renshaw had as her Saturday night guest, Miss Rosie Lee Teague.

The commencement exercises for the Catlett school will be held April 6. The public is cordially invited to attend.

LONE MOUND NEWS

Miss Geraldine Martin of Lewisville spent Saturday afternoon with Misses Vera and Lavetta Farrington. Onias Reynolds of Dallas spent a while Wednesday night in the home of Mrs. McDonald.

Miss Zinda Bell McNeely spent Sunday with Miss Millie Farrington. Mr. and Mrs. Barney Weldon of near Denton, Mr. and Mrs. Ray of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Stone and daughter visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Wiley Sunday.

Miss Anna Will Stevens spent Saturday night and Sunday in Decatur with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Farrington and three children spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Raley of the Foster community.

Mrs. G. A. Ray of Wichita Falls

DISTRESS AFTER MEALS

Relieved By Black-Draught

"I had sour stomach and gas," writes Mr. Jess Higgins, of Dawsonville, Ga., "and often I would have bilious spells. I read about Thedford's Black-Draught and began to take it. It relieved me of this trouble. I keep it all the time now. I consider it a fine medicine. I take a pinch of Black-Draught after meals when I need it. It helps to prevent sick headache and to keep the system in good order."

Get a package at the store. Try it! Now you can get Black-Draught in the form of a SYRUP, for CHILDREN.

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visited Mrs. W. A. Claborn over the week-end.

Sam McDonald and Basil King and Miss Bonnie Lee King spent a while one night last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Wiley.

Those who visited in the home of Mrs. Spencer and Mrs. Sarah Bunch were Mrs. Jim Capps, Mrs. C. C. Hornback, Mrs. G. B. Bowman, Mrs. John Gilbert, Mrs. E. A. Pettus and Misses Bonnie Lee King and Millie and Vera Farrington.

Clifton Hogue spent Sunday in the home of W. E. Hodges.

TOPPING NATIVE PECAN FOR PATCH BUDDING

Twenty native pecan trees with tops of Burkett, Halbert, and Texas Prolific varieties on M. M. Gage farm is a result of an evening school lesson on top-working native pecan trees conducted by N. P. Stephenson in the Sycamore community August 3, 1931.

The native trees were cut back in the winter of 1930-1931 by Ralph Gage, August 3, thirteen members of the Sycamore evening school attended an all day meeting and placed modified patch buds on twenty trees under direction and supervision of N. P. Stephenson, teacher of vocational agriculture. An average of one to nine buds per tree lived. Timber and under growth around these trees have been cut out and eighteen larger trees

of oak, elm, and chittim were poisoned using 1 pound white arsenic, 1 pound sal soda and one half pound concentrated lye in a gallon of water.

Remaining native growth was removed in February 1933 which carried to completion the follow-up work in supervising the lesson taught in 1931.

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